substantially damaged in fire. The ex-gratia relief is based on and related to the assessment of damages.

Committee for reviewing the cases of detenues in Jammu and Kashmir

292. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Committee has been set up to review the cases of detenues of Jammu and Kashmir; and

(b) if so, what is its composition and the progress made by it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b) The State Government of Jammu and Kashmir have intimated that a Committee to review the cases of detenues has been constituted with the following membership:—

1. Shri J.N. Saksena, DGP, J&K	Chairman
2. Dr. Wajahat Habibullah, Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir	Member
3. Miss Sushma Choudhry, Commissioner & Secy. (Education)	Member
4. Thakur Jaswant Singh Add. DIG (Police)	Member
5. Mohd. Farroq, S.P.	Member

During the year 1990; 66 detenues have been released, 18 due to revocation of detention order and 48 on parole.

Dowry deaths

293. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the steps to curb the evil of dowry have failed;

(b) whether the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 had also failed to make the desired impact;

(c) if so, whether there is need to make some stringent provisions in the law to curb the evil of dowry; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN): (a) to (d) The Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 has been amended twice in 1984 and 1986 to make the penal provisions of the Act more stringent and effective. However, thereafter it was considered necessary to review the Act to make it more effective. The Department of Women and Child Development in the Ministry of Welfare organised a workshop in collaboration with the Indian Law Institute, on 12-13 January, 1991 to consider further amendments in strengthen the Act.

Recruitment of terrorists in Punjab and Delhi

294. SHRI ARANGIL SREEDHARAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that terrorist organisation in Punjab have organised a drive to intensify the recruitment of terrorists;

(b) whether these activities have spread over to Delhi; and

(c) if so, what steps Government are taking to meet the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND

BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b) According to information available, terrorist organisations in Punjab had carried out such a drive in the border areas of Punjab. There is, however, nothing to suggest that such activities have spread to Delhi.

(c) The State Government are taking appropriate steps to motivate the people, including the youth, to wean them away from the terrorist organisations.

295. [*Transferred to the 7th March, 1991*]

सरकारी क्षेत्र के उपक्रमों/ उद्यमों द्वारा अनुसूचित जातियों/अनुसूचित जनजातियों के लोगों को बिक्रता नियत किया जाना/ एजेंसियां दिया जाना

296. श्री राम अवधेश सिंह : क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकारी नीतियों के अन्तर्गत सरकारी क्षेत्र के उपक्रमों और सरकारी उद्यमों के विपणन विभागों द्वारा अनुसूचित जातियों/अनुसूचित जनजातियों को आरक्षित कोटा में एजेंसी/विक्रेता नियुक्त करने/कमीशन शुदा एजेंसी/खेप एजेंसी/खेप भंडारण व्यवस्था आदि दिए जाने का प्रावधान हैं ;

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि भारतीय इस्पात प्राधिकरण, हिन्दुस्तान फोटो फिल्मस मैन्यूफैक्चरिंग कम्पनी, सीमेंट कारपोरेशन आफ इंडिया, पेपर कारपोरेशन आफ इंडिया, हिन्दुस्तान वेजिटेबल्स कारपोरेशन लिमिटेड आदि जैसी 90 प्रतिशत से अधिक सरकारी विपणन कम्पनियां अनुसूचित जातियों/ अनुसूचित जनजातियों के लिए आरक्षित कोटा के अन्तर्गत किसी प्रकार की एजेंसी नहीं दे रही हैं ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो सरकारी क्षेत्र के कौन-कौन से उपक्रम/उद्यम इस सम्बन्ध में आरक्षण-नीति का पालन कर रहे हैं और कौन-कौन से उपक्रम/उद्यम आरक्षण-नीति का पालन नहीं कर रहे हैं और इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

प्रधान मंत्री कार्यालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमल मोरारका): (क) से (ग) जानकारी एकत्रित की जा रही हैं और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Induction of women into Indian Army

297. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to induct women into the Indian Army; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI LALIT VIJAY SINGH): (a) and (b) Presently, women are inducted into the Medical Corps and Nursing services. A detailed study is being conducted to identify other areas where women could be enlisted.

Loss to Public Sector Undertakings in Andhra Pradesh

298. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Central Public Sector Undertakings in Andhra Pradesh is incurring losses; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) and (b) Two Central Public Sector Enterprises, namely, Hindustan Fluoro-carbons Limited and Southern Pesticides Corporation Ltd., having their registered offices in the State of Andhra Pradesh have incurred losses amounting to Rs. 9.05 crores and Rs. 1.47 crores, respectively, during the year 1989-90.

Imposition of penalties by Central Vigilance Commission

299. SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: